

GREAT VICTORY FOR ANNEXATION

(Continued from First Page.)

to the street car companies that it would pay them to give the bridges connecting the towns of Barton Heights and Chestnut Hill with the city. It did not think it would be necessary for the city to acquire the bridges, however, as persons owning property in the two towns on the Northside had to pay tolls.

Minor's Statement.

Mr. Minor's statement in full follows: Necessary acquisition, 14 school houses, \$40,000; assumption of bonds of Fairmount, \$25,000; assumption of bonds of Barton Heights, \$15,000; assumption of bonds of Chestnut Hill, \$4,000. Total, \$84,000.

Necessary increase in general expenses per annum: Fire department, \$10,000; police department, \$15,000; schools department, \$20,000. Total, \$45,000.

Assessed value of realty in new territory, \$8,000,000; assessed value of personal property, \$1,000,000. Total, \$9,000,000.

Eighteen per cent. of realty assessment, \$1,440,000; 12 per cent. of realty assessment, \$1,080,000; 6 per cent. of realty assessment, \$540,000. Total, \$3,060,000.

City tax rate on \$9,000,000 per annum: 4 per cent. interest on \$9,000,000 of bonds, \$360,000; 1-1/2 per cent. sinking fund to meet bonds, \$144,000. Total, \$504,000. Balance for general expenses in whole city, \$73,200.

Average county tax rate, 60 cents on \$1,000,000; \$60,000 estimated taxes in new territory, \$60,000. Total, \$120,000.

In five years there will be available for public improvements in new territory, \$500,000.

Bridges: First Street viaduct, original cost, \$35,000; cost to present owners, \$10,000; Fourth Street viaduct, original cost, \$85,000; cost to present owners (about), \$30,000.

Forty per cent. of stock owned by vendors of lots on Northside.

Mr. Blair opposed Mr. Minor's proposition and expressed the belief that it would be a great mistake to adopt the lines proposed by the latter. He declared that the talk about cheaper homes for the working people was all stuff, and he said there was no chance for the lines proposed. He said if the lines were extended for miles around the city, rents would not be cheaper.

Mr. Blair said there was not half so much real sentiment in favor of the lines as some people seemed to think, and he grew vigorous in his opposition to Mr. Minor's proposition.

Mr. Blair asked if it was a question of population, why not take in Manchester by the proper methods, and he was loudly cheered by some of his colleagues. He said it would cost the city \$4,000,000 to fix up the gutters on the north side.

He asked that the city do something for Fulton and the territory that needed improvements, and he created great laughter by saying, "I swear I could stand here all night and speak of the absurdities advanced by the other side."

Mr. Dickerson followed Mr. Blair, and he pleaded for the annexation of the territory of the city, and said the factories should not be taken in. Mr. Dickerson was in favor of but little, if any, annexation, and he took up each section of the territory and offered his objections to them one by one. He spoke at great length against the lines as proposed, and said if it was hoped to get population, Manchester should be taken in.

Mr. Dabney followed in favor of the annexation as proposed by Mr. Minor, and he spoke earnestly in its favor, as well as for taking in Manchester.

Mr. Dabney gave the following views of Richmond by the outside public:

Undeveloped resources.

Lack of enterprise.

Lack of public spirit.

A city not increasing in population.

With few, if any, desirable manufacturing sites.

Abundance of uninvested capital.

A financial condition unexcelled by any city in the United States.

One of the most desirable locations for the domestic and foreign markets, having comparative rail and water routes, near the greatest harbor in the world.

A city with a tax rate as low, if not lower than any city in this country.

A city of substantial, intelligent, moral people.

Housed and cared for in many instances like cattle in a freight car.

Some Advantages.

In answer to these views he urged that these would be some of the advantages of annexation:

It will increase our population about twenty-five thousand.

It will provide abundant desirable manufacturing sites.

It will provide opportunity for our people of moderate circumstances to procure homes with more comfort at a smaller cost.

It will open up the avenue for uninvested capital that is to-day sleeping in our banks, or resting in bonds at three per cent. and a few cents, which could be invested in development to earn six and eight per cent., which would mean greater opportunity for the working man.

It would increase the revenue of our city, thereby providing the permanent public improvements so much desired, much sooner than our present condition will allow.

It would allow us to fully enjoy the great rail and water facilities we have to the domestic and foreign markets, the

WELL MADE

When Combined

with up-to-date styles, choicest fabrics, perfect fit and newest designs, produces a garment suited to the requirements of the most fastidious lady. This is the kind of a garment we are showing.

Our—Costumes, Suits, Coats, Skirts, Waists, Neckwear and Umbrellas represent the most desirable in all the above requisites.

All Winter Skirts Reduced.

\$6.50 and \$5 values in Cheviots and Broadcloths, in all wool materials of the latest designs, as long as they last, positively \$4. If we were known that when we reduce prices we mean exactly what we say.

New Suits for Easter.

Our buyer is in the market making purchases of the very latest styles, and with the suits we are now showing, new designs are coming in every day. Silk Panamas, Mixtures and Voles, ranging in price from \$17.50 to \$45.

A Special.

Semi-fitting light gray novelty Mixture Suit, nicely lined, velvet collar and full skirt, elegantly tailored, \$25.50 value, \$17.50 for this week only.

Brown and Black Panama Suits with invisible checks, tucked blouses with pleated, braided trimmings and lined with taffeta, tucked skirt, \$22.50 value, for \$20.00.

All-Wool Shepherd Plaid Suits, with the new bolero blouse, taffeta vest, \$22.50 value, for \$20.00.

Taffeta Suits.

A beautiful Jacket, blouse back and front, wide girle, skirt with shirred flounce—\$25.00 special.

A number of others in the best grade taffeta, broad trimmings, new puff sleeves, full skirts, \$27.50 to \$40.00.

Silk Coats! Silk Coats!

In the latest cut and style; a large number of styles, ranging in price from \$8.50 to \$25.00.

C. S. Peers Co.

417 East Broad.

Assessments.

Mr. Dabney submitted the following comparative figures as to assessments, tax rates, &c.:

Newark, N. J., assessment, 4-5 of actual value; tax rate, \$2.27 per \$100.

Philadelphia, Pa., assessment, full actual value; tax rate, \$1.50 per \$100.

Providence, R. I., assessment, 20 per cent. of full value; tax rate, \$1.05 per \$100.

Troy, N. Y., assessment, full value; tax rate, \$1.60 per \$100.

Syracuse, N. Y., full value; tax rate, \$1.50 per \$100.

Schmecton, N. Y., assessment, moderate; tax rate, \$2.40 per \$100.

Paterson, N. J., assessment, 60 per cent. of full value; tax rate, \$2.50 per \$100.

Worcester, Mass., assessment, full value; \$1.74 per \$100.

Lowell, Mass., assessment, full value; \$2 per \$100.

Richmond, assessment, 75 per cent.; tax rate, \$4.40 per \$100.

Manufacturers in all these cities assert that they much prefer the city.

Mr. Dabney said he had it from real estate agents in Richmond that there were only about twenty-five vacant houses in the city, and that one of the crying needs of the hour was cheaper homes for the middle classes. He believed that annexation would do more than any other one agency to bring comfort and prosperity to these people, and therefore he was earnestly favoring the proposition.

Mr. Dabney was asked some questions by Mr. Blair, and the two engaged in some hot cross firing, in which they flatly denied statements made by each other. They seemed far apart, and the discussion was taking such a wide range that the participants were urged by the chair to confine themselves to the question at issue.

Mr. Dabney submitted letters from manufacturers in thirty-five cities in the United States, and they all declared

they preferred to be within the corporate limits with their plants. Mr. Dabney's closing appeal for annexation was a strong one, and when he concluded he was loudly cheered.

Mr. Glenn spoke eloquently in favor of annexation along the lines indicated by Mr. Minor, and he was often cheered by citizens present.

"Let us say to the world, send your manufacturing plants here," said Mr. Glenn, "and if you will do this, in ten years you will see a city far beyond our fondest dreams of expansion and progress."

Mr. Glenn declared that at first he had thought it best to leave out all manufacturing plants, but upon investigation he had concluded that this was not the proper way for a city to expand.

The Council should deal with the proposition of annexation in the interest of the many and not of the few.

Cannon Favored It.

Mr. Cannon spoke for expansion as indicated by Mr. Minor, and he declared that in his judgment it was necessary to take in considerable territory on the north in order to meet the demands for homes for the people and to relieve congestion.

The rents of the city were high, and the scarcity of homes and building lots suited to the middle classes was everywhere admitted.

Mr. Cannon spoke with much force and earnestness, and was frequently cheered by his hearers.

The speaker denied that there had been any effort to build-dore the committee into voting for annexation. He said citizens had called upon him as a member of the Council, but he should always desire to hear them as to public matters.

Mr. Cannon said Mayor Dooley had asked that his property be left out, and in speaking of this and other requests of the same kind he declared that individuals could not block the onward march of progress. The police increase matter had been interrupted, and Mr. Cannon said "politics" had prevented the increase, but that would come as surely as it was needed. If expansion was had, he said the new conditions would demand and obtain better facilities.

Mr. Umlauf spoke briefly, and said he had changed his position and had enlarged his views so as to vote for the Minor lines. The speaker said the trouble about the police department was that the board didn't seem to know how to handle what they had. When they would prove their capacity and stop fighting among themselves the speaker thought the Council would give them more money.

Mr. Lynch said he was opposed to the Minor amendment, and would vote for the lines as originally drawn by the city engineer.

Mr. Blair suggested to defer the vote until some evening shortly, when all the members can be present, but this was not put in the form of a motion.

The petition of the West End Realty Corporation to be taken in was tabled, and Mr. Blair announced that he intended to eliminate the plant of the Cedar Works.

The motion was defeated by a vote of three to five, and the petition of Major Dooley, to be left out, was tabled.

After perfecting amendments were offered to the ordinance by Mr. Minor and adopted.

Mr. Umlauf moved, as a substitute for Mr. Minor's amendment, that the lines be so changed as to include a small section of the city, and this was adopted. The chair ruled that this adopted the Minor amendment, and a brief wrangle ensued, in the midst of which Mr. Blair vainly endeavored to get a postponement of final action until the absentees could be present.

Mr. Minor moved that the whole matter be referred to the city attorney and city engineer, with instructions to perfect the ordinance and report the same to the other branch of the Council for adoption.

The recorded vote on this proposition was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Beck, Minor, Glenn, Cannon, Dabney and Umlauf.

Noes—Messrs. Blair and Lynch—2.

Weisger—Peters.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

KEYSVILLE, Va., March 27.—A romantic marriage occurred Saturday afternoon when Miss Emma Peters and Mr. David Weisger, both of Richmond, were made man and wife.

Rev. Mr. Williams of the Methodist Church, in Chase City, performed the ceremony, which took place at the residence of Mr. H. D. Peters, the brother of the bride.

The couple came up on the local train from Richmond Friday night and Saturday morning the groom drove to Charlottesville Courthouse and procured the license.

The bride is a beautiful and accomplished young lady, who has frequently visited Keysville, and made a host of friends. The groom is engaged in the mercantile business in Richmond.

It appeared to be the intention of the parties to keep the marriage a most secret, as no one in town knew that such a thing was contemplated, except the brother of the bride and his family. They returned to their home in Richmond to-day.

Anderson—Robertson.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 27.—A message has been received here regarding the marriage of Miss Alice Robertson and Mr. Anderson in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, on Saturday afternoon. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Robertson, of this place, and at the time was visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Robertson, of Portsmouth, Va., consequently the announcement came somewhat as a surprise to her friends here.

TO CALIFORNIA EVERY DAY

from March 1 until May 15, colonist rates to all principal points in that state

via

UNION PACIFIC

and SOUTHERN PACIFIC

FROM

Chicago \$33.00

St. Louis 30.00

Shortest Line Fastest Time Smoothest Roadbed

Tourist Sleeping Cars a Specialty

Inquire of

R. TENBROECK, Gen'l Eastern Agent

287 Broadway, New York City, New York

MRS. T. H. ELLETT

DIES SUDDENLY

Richmond Woman Expires While Visiting Her Daughter in Atlanta.

FRIENDS GRIEF STRICKEN

The many friends of Mrs. Fannie B. Ellett, wife of Councilman T. H. Ellett, of No. 87 West Franklin Street, were sorrow-stricken yesterday when they learned of the sudden death of Mrs. Ellett in Atlanta, Ga., at the home of her daughter, on Sunday morning.

Mrs. Ellett had been in excellent health up to the time of her death, and letters written by her to friends here, saying she was enjoying her visit, arrived about the time the telegram was received announcing her sudden death.

The remains reached here last night and the funeral will take place from the late residence at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The pall-bearers are as follows: Honorary—Gen. A. L. Phillips, Hon. H. R. Pollard, L. W. Wise, Warner Moore, Thomas C. Williams, Jr., William Ellyson, S. G. Fairbanks, R. L. Peters, W. M. Habitation, John P. Branch, Judge S. B. Witt, E. L. Spence, J. B. West, Isaac Diggs, S. M. Bolling, R. A. Johnson, Active—R. L. Montague, A. D. Williams, Richard W. Jones, B. A. Jacob, J. W. Ready, James T. Rutherford, J. W. Shipman, J. C. Miller, Eugene Robison, A. T. Ragland.

Born in Hanover.

Mrs. Ellett was a native of Hanover, and was sixty-one years of age. Her nearest surviving relatives are her husband, a man long prominent in the business and public affairs of the city, and her daughter, Mrs. Dunbar Hay, of Atlanta, at whose home she died, and one brother, Mr. John L. Green, of Hanover.

The circumstances of Mrs. Ellett's death were peculiarly sad, and the news came as a great shock to her many devoted friends in this city. She had been for some time with her daughter, her only child, in Atlanta, and had written her only a few days ago, saying her trip had been a delightful pleasant one, and that she would shortly return home.

Mrs. Ellett's life was largely devoted to charitable and religious work, and she ministered tenderly to the needs of the sick and distressed in all the walks of life.

She was a devout Christian, and while she held her membership at Grove Avenue Baptist Church, many other religious and charitable institutions in the city felt indebted to her for her uniform kindness and liberality.

OBITUARY.

Rev. Robb White.

Rev. Robb White, a widely known and beloved clergyman, recently rector of Christ Church, Savannah, Ga., died about 8:30 o'clock last night at the St. Luke's Hospital. Mr. White was brought to this city from Savannah seriously ill, and only a few days ago, saying her trip had been a delightful pleasant one, and that she would shortly return home.

His malady did not yield to treatment, and he died at the hour stated, his wife and daughter being with him when the end came, as they had been during his entire illness.

Rev. Robb White was a native of Virginia and a member of a family that has

long been prominent. He was born in Augusta county, Va., and for a greater portion of his life resided in this State, having been rector of an Episcopal Church, and a member of the General Assembly of the Episcopal diocese of Virginia, since held other pastorates. He had been living in the South for a number of years, but was a frequent visitor to his city. As stated, he is survived by his wife and daughter.

The body was prepared for burial and the funeral will take place at 4 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. Alexander, 28 North Second Street. The remains will be taken to Warren, Va., for burial there to-morrow.

W. H. Tyler.

Mr. W. H. Tyler died at his home, at Highland Park, Sunday afternoon after an illness of about three weeks.

Mr. Tyler was sixty-seven years of age, and was a native of Albemarle county. He was in the civil service of the Confederate during the war, and was chief deputy in the United States internal revenue department under Mr. Cleveland's second administration.

Mr. Tyler was once in commission business here. He was a consistent member and deacon of Seventh Street Christian Church, and the funeral will take place from there this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The interment will be in Hollywood. Mr. Tyler is survived by his wife and five children—Mrs. John S. Harwood, A. M. Tyler and B. M. Tyler, of Richmond; M. G. Tyler, of West Virginia; and Mrs. W. D. Rosecrans, of New Jersey.

The pall-bearers will be: Honorary—John B. Ellett, F. Bitterling, E. A. Barber, W. G. Maury, J. L. Hill, T. A. Cary, James Epps and William H. Clements.

Active—E. R. Fuller, M. H. Clarke, C. W. Vaughan, W. H. McCarthy, Charles W. Wingfield, Charles S. Cross, L. C. Enslow and D. C. Zollcoffer.

Rev. John W. Ryland.

Information was received here yesterday of the death of Rev. John W. Ryland, which occurred at his home in Middlesex county, Saturday night. For thirty years Mr. Ryland was the pastor of the Hermitage Baptist Church in Middlesex and also of the Olivet Church in King and Queen county. He resigned these pastorates a few months ago on account of impaired health. He was a graduate of Richmond College and his long life was spent in the ministry. He was nearly seventy years of age.

The deceased was a brother of the late Josiah Ryland, second auditor of the State, and was the father of Mr. W. R. Ryland, editor of the Southside Sentinel, published at Urbana.

John F. Miller.

John F. Miller, of Lynchburg, a Confederate veteran and an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, died at the Virginia Hospital Sunday night.

The funeral will take place from Billie's at 10:30 o'clock this morning, and the interment will be in Hollywood.

John H. Curry.

John H. Curry, of Roanoke, another inmate of the Home, died there yesterday morning.

The funeral will take place at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, and the interment will be in Hollywood.

Funeral of Mr. Stack.

The funeral of Mr. George Stack took place from Bennett's undertaking establishment at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. The services were conducted at the grave in Shockoe Cemetery by Rev. C. A. Mackie, of the First English Lutheran Church. The pall-bearers were Messrs. S. T. Tinsley, Gus Davis, James Crew, C. H. Timberlake, H. O. Butler and H. W. Fairbank.

William Minnigerode.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, Va., March 27.—William Minnigerode, aged fifty-five years, a member of the firm of Minnigerode and Duckworth, iron and steel brokers, and one of the best known and beloved citizens of Lynchburg, died this morning at his home, after a long illness of typhoid pneumonia. He is survived by his wife and three children. Mr. Minnigerode was a son of the late Rev. Dr. Charles E. Minnigerode, who for years was rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Richmond. One of the interesting phases of the death of his wife is the fact that his wife lies in another room in the residence of the family critically ill of pneumonia. She is too ill to be apprised of her husband's demise, and fears are entertained of her recovery.

C. B. Rothgeb.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Lynchburg, Va., March 27.—Charles B. Rothgeb, who reached his home in this county, less than forty-eight hours ago, from Washington, where he was being treated in a hospital for cancer of the stomach, died at his home three miles south of Lynchburg, this evening, aged thirty-five years. He was for several years a clerk in the wholesale house of B. Ney and Company, of Harrisonburg. A wife and three children survive him.

W. D. Woodhouse.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, Va., March 27.—W. D. Woodhouse, died at the residence of Princess Anne county, this morning after a lingering illness, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. He was one of the oldest residents of the county, and was highly honored. He served in the Confederate army.

He leaves a wife and nine children, all of whom are residents of Norfolk and Princess Anne county.

Mrs. Beverley W. Briscoe.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., March 27.—Mrs. Bertha K. Briscoe, wife of Dr. Briscoe, of Fredericksburg, and daughter of Mr. S. H. Shtetzer, of Westmoreland county, died recently. She is survived by her husband and one child. The remains were taken to Baltimore and interred in Green Mount Cemetery.

Mrs. Sarah Johnston.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WALTON, Va., March 27.—Mrs. Sarah Johnston, widow of William Johnston, died at her home here last night, aged eighty-two years. She is survived by a son and two daughters. The interment takes place here to-morrow afternoon.

Mrs. John Franz.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., March 27.—Mrs. John Franz, a well known lady of Lancaster county, died last week at her home, near White Stone, after an illness of only two weeks. Her husband, two daughters and three sons survive her.

Loving Remembrance.

In loving remembrance of my husband, LEWIS T. PRAYSER, who departed this life March 28, 1904.

He cannot say and will not say. That he is dead, he is just away. With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand.

He has wandered into an unknown land. And left us dreaming how very fair. It needs must be, since he lingered there. And you and I, who were the wildest pair. For the old-time stop and the glad return. Think of him faring on, as dear. In the love of there as the love of here. Think of him still as the same as I say. He is not dead, he is just away.

BY HIS WIFE.

DEATHS.

TYLER.—Died at his residence on Highland Park, Sunday afternoon, after an illness of about three weeks.